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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **GRANULATED BREAD IMPROVER FOR THE PREPARATION OF BAKERY PRODUCTS** which was described and claimed in International Application No. PCT/BE99/00025 filed on February 18, 1999, the U.S. National Phase of which was filed on August 24, 2000, amended on February 14, 2000, accepted for national patentability examination in the United States under 35 U.S.C. 371 on August 24, 2000 and assigned application serial number **09/623,013**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56;

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent, design or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent, design or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed for the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATIONS

Priority Claimed

No.: 98870039.9

Country: EPO

Date Filed: February 26, 1998

Yes

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I hereby appoint the registrants of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, 620 Newport Center Drive, Sixteenth Floor, Newport Beach, California 92660, Telephone (949) 760-0404, Customer No. 20,995.

I hereby authorize and request my attorneys, Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, of 620 Newport Center Drive, 16th Floor, Newport Beach, CA 92660, to insert above the filing date and application number of said application when known;

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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